Policy

**FIRST AID AND EMERGENCY CARE**

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The school nurse or principal’s designee will be responsible for providing emergency services in case of injury to, or sudden illness of, a student or staff member.

If a school employs a licensed practical nurse (LPN), a registered nurse (RN) must be available on call by telecommunications.

# Procedures

Each school will develop procedures for the proper handling of such emergencies. The administration will distribute these procedures to the staff.

The procedures will include the following requirements:

* The school nurse or another trained person will be responsible for administering first aid.
* The school will notify the student’s parent/legal guardian of the student’s illness or injury. The school will request that the parent/legal guardian make appropriate arrangements for the student’s care.
* If the school cannot contact the parent/legal guardian immediately when a very serious accident occurs or when a student becomes alarmingly ill, the school will summon medical service or an ambulance to take the student to the appropriate medical facility. Schools will notify the parent/legal guardian as soon as possible.
* Schools will administer first aid/emergency care and the routine delivery of health services to students according to the procedures specified in the Health Services Procedures Manual or other appropriate document.

Under no circumstances should a school staff member, including a school nurse, follow the terms of Do Not Resuscitate (DNR) instructions signed by the parent/legal guardian of a student. Such instructions are not binding upon the district or its staff as state law provides that minors are ineligible for DNR orders.

Adopted ^

Legal References:

A. S.C. Code of Laws, 1976, as amended:

1. Section 44-76-10, *et seq.* - South Carolina Automated External Defibrillator Act.
2. Section 44-78-50 - Minors ineligible for do not resuscitate orders.